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SUBJECT: PAPAZOV VISIT: PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

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- 1. DESPOTOV PROVIDED EMBASSY WITH SPECIFIC PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS AND LIST OF PROBLEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO BULGARIAN DELEGATION FOR FEBRUARY 6-14 PAPAZOV DELEGATION VISIT JANUARY 24, AS PROMISED (PARA 6 REFTEL.) ITINERARY DID NOT DIFFER SIGNIFICANTLY FROM WHAT HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED. BULGARIAN PROPOSALS FOLLOW, BY DATE.
- 2. FEBRUARY 6: 1520: ARRIVAL AT NEW YORK (JFK) VIA
  AM 400 FROM MEXICO CITY. FEBRUARY 6-7: VISIT TO NYU'S
  BROOKHAVEN LABORATORY. PAPAZOV HAS ALSO REQUESTED VISIT
  TO IBM RESEARCH CENTER AT ARMONK, TO MEET, IF POSSIBLE,
  WITH CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF SCIENTIST. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH
  TO CONSIDER SUITABLE CULTURAL EVENT FOR BULGARIAN DELEGATION (PAPAZOV, PETROV, AND DESPOTOV) TO ATTEND ONE
  OR BOTH NIGHTS, POSSIBLY A MUSICAL CONCERT OR AN OPERA.

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- 3. FEBRUARY 8: DEPART IN MORNING BY CAR OR TRAIN, AS MOST CONVENIENT, FOR WILMINGTON FOR VISIT TO DUPONT RESEARCH FACILITIES (PARA 6, B REFTEL). TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON FOR NIGHT THERE.
- 4. FEBRUARY 9: MORNING: SIGNING OF NSF/SCSTP AGREEMENT, WORKING MEETING WITH DR. ATKINSON AND VISIT

TO NSF. LUNCH AT 1200 WITH DR. PRESS AT WHITE HOUSE FOLLOWED BY WORKING MEETING WITH DR. PRESS AT HIS OFFICE. REMAINDER OF FEBRUARY 9 AND ALL OF FEBRUARY 10 FOR VISITS TO NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE, NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS AND HEW. PAPAZOV HAS REQUESTED TO MEET WZITH MS. DOROTHY SISK OF OFFICE FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED AT OFFICE OF EDUCATION. HE HAS ALSO REQUESTED VISIT TO BELTSVILLE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH FACILITY (PARA 6, C REFTEL.) DESPOTOV SAID HE BELIEVES THAT BULGARIAN EMBASSY WILL WISH TO GIVE RECEPTION FOR PAPAZOV EVENING OF EITHER FEBRUARY 9 OR 10 AND REQUESTS DEPARTMENT TO COORDINATE WITH EMBASSY ON THAT POINT. OTHER EVENING DEPARTMENT MAY WISH ARRANGE DELEGATION'S ATTENDANCE AT SOME CULTURAL EVENT.

- 5. EMBASSY ALSO RECOMMENDS STRONGLY THAT APPOINT-MENT BE MADE FOR PAPAZOV WITH APPROPRIATE SENIOR DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL, BEARING IN MIND PAPAZOV'S OTHER HATS AS MEMBER OF SECRETARIAT OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF BULGARIAN COMMUNIST PARTY AND CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR BULGARIAN/SOVIET FRIENDSHIP, A POSITION FORMERLY HELD BY FULL POLITBURO MEMBER. IN THE EVENT, EMBASSY WILL PROPOSE POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION.
- 6. FEBRUARY 11: SIGHTSEEING INWASHINGTON. DISCUSSIONS UNCLASSIFIED

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AT BULGARIAN EMBASSY. (NEW AMBASSADOR GRIGOROV PLANS TO ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON FEBRUARY 7.) TRAVEL IN EVENING BY TRAIN OR BY PLANE TO NEW YORK FOR THE NIGHT.

- 7. FEBRUARY 12: SIGHTSEEING IN NEW YORK. MEET-ING WITH BULGARIAN UN PERMREP, AMBASSADOR ALEKSANDUR YANKOV, PERSONAL FRIEND OF PAPAZOV AND DESPOTOV. EVENING TRAVEL TO BOSTON FOR NIGHT THERE.
- 8. FEBRUARY 13 AND 14: VISITS IN BOSTON TO BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY AND MIT. PAPAZOV SUGGESTED ARTHUR D. LITTLE AS POSSIBLE APPROPRIATE AMERICAN CORPORATION WITH SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH COMPONENT (PARA 6, REF B.)
- 9. FEBRUARY 14: DEPART BOSTON AT 2030 VIA TWA 810, ARRIVING ROME AT 1215 ON FEBRUARY 15. DEPART ROME AT 1720 VIA LZ 158, ARRIVING SOFIA 2010, THE ONLY ONE-STOP BOSTON TO SOFIA ROUTE, FEBRUARY 14-15.

DELEGATION'S SPECIFIC RETURN TRAVEL PLANS ARE NOT YET SET, APART FROM DEPARTURE US FEBRUARY 14, BUT EMBASSY WILL RECOMMEND THIS ROUTE.

10. DEPARTMENT REQUESTED TO INFORM EMBASSY OF SPECIFIC INTERNAL TRAVEL PLANS FOR DELEGATION AS MUCH IN ADVANCE AS POSSIBLE IN ORDER THAT DESPOTOV MAY MAKE HIS OWN ARRANGEMENTS, COSTS OF WHICH USG WILL NOT BE PAYING.

11. DESPOTOV ALSO GAVE SIMPSON FOUR-POINT LIST ENTITLED "PROBLEMS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO THE BULGARIAN DELEGATION" WHICH HE ASKED TO BE SUBMITTED TO HIS HOSTS IN ADVANCE TO SERVE AS BASIC UNCLASSIFIED

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THEMES OF PAPAZOV'S VISIT. HE ASKED THAT INFORMATION BE COLLECTED IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS IN ADVANCE OF PAPAZOV'S ARRIVAL TO EXTENT POSSIBLE. LIST OF THEMES FOLLOWS:

- A. CRITERIA AND METHODOLOGY OF SETTING RESEARCH GOALS, IN GOVERNMENT, IN CORPORATION, AND IN SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.
- B. CURRENT PRACTICE IN ACCELERATED TRANSLATION OF SCIENTIFIC ADVANCES INTO PRODUCTION -- SYSTEMS, ORGANIZATION, FORMS, AND INCENTIVES.
- C. SCIENTIFIC POLICY, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
  PERSONNEL THEIR SELECTION, METHODS OF PERFORMANCE
  EVALUATION, PROMOTION, INCENTIVES, AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT
- D. SYSTEMS OF MARKET RESEARCH EMPLOYED BY SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS AND COMPANIES, RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENT AND MARKET NEEDS, QUESTION OF LINKAGE BETWEEN NEEDS OF SOCIETY AND SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENT.
- 12. DESPOTOV SAID HE WOULD BE TRANSMITTING PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS AND THEMES BOTH TO COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR STEFAN KOSSEV IN NEW YORK AND TO BULGARIAN EMBASSY CHARGE KRASSIN HIMMIRSKY IN WASHINGTON FOR COORDINATION WITH DEPARTMENT, AS NECESSARY.
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